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1. ABU DHABI TELEPHONE AND TELEGRAPH (ADTT) HAS SIGNED LETTER OF INTENT WITH GTE-SYLVANIA FOR PURCHASE OF GATEWAY EXCHANGE EQUIPMENT WORTH APPROXIMATELY TWO MILLION DOLLARS. GTE REPRESENTATIVES WILL BE VISITING ABU DHABI IN NEXT FEW DAYS TO DISCUSS FINAL ARRANGEMENTS FOR SIGNING CONTRACT.

2. FYI. UAE PROCEEDING WITH PLANS FOR MERGER AND GOVERNMENT CONTROL OF ALL TELEGRAPH AND TELEPHONE SERVICES. ACCORDING TO LOCAL PRESS REPORTS, REPRESENTATIVES OF ADTT HAVE MET WITH OFFICIALS OF UAE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATION TO DISCUSS EVENTUAL MERGER AND SECOND MEETING PLANNED FOR EARLY MARCH. EMBASSY WILL FOLLOW PROGRESS THESE NEGOTIATIONS AS THEIR OUTCOME WILL EFFECT TELECOMMUNICATION EXPANSION AND DEVELOPMENT PLANS IN UAE. END FYI.
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